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REMARKS

This amendment is in response to the Office Action received in the above referenced application dated June 23, 2004. Upon entry of this amendment claims 1 - 6, 8-13, and 15-19

are pending in the application. Claims 1, 4, and 15 have been amended. Claims 7, 14, and 20

are canceled.

Allowable Subject matter

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's indication of allowance of

claims 7, 14 and 20. To advance prosecution of the application, Applicant has amended

independent claims 1, 8 and 15 to include the features recited in the allowed claims, without

prejudice to pursue other claims in a continuation application. Accordingly, Applicant

respectfully submits that the application be advanced to allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 USC §102(e)

The Examiner rejects claims 1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 15 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being

anticipated by Csapo. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection and submits that the

amended claims are patentable in light of the cited art. Csapo does not disclose or suggest the

features of Applicants claims.

Claim Rejections under 35 USC §103

Claims 3, 10 and 17 are rejected under 35 USC §103 as unpatentable over Csapo; and

claims 5, 6, 11-13, 18 and 19 are rejection under 35 USC §103 over Csapo in view of Judd.

Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection and submits that the amended claims are patentable

in light of the cited art. Csapo, either alone or in combination with Judd, does not teach or

suggest the features of Applicants claims.

Based on the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in

condition for allowance. If any matters can be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is invited to

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call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50,2319 (Order No. A-70598/MSS (467282-134)).

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